# NOTICE TO DESIGN-BUILDERS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS WSDOT DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT

October 17, 2023

# PRE-ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE SR16/GOODNOUGH CREEKS & MCCORMICK CREEKS – REMOVE FISH BARRIER

#### SCHEDULE:

Request for Qualifications: (RFQ): October 2023

Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) Due: December 2023 Request for Proposals (RFP) Issued: February 2024

Proposals Due: July 2024

Announce Apparent Best Value: August 2024 Estimated Notice to Proceed: September 2024

Open to Traffic: December 2028

#### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

WSDOT plans to remove 8 existing fish barriers within Pierce County, City of Gig Harbor and City of Purdy with fish passable structures utilizing a Design-Build Delivery method. WSDOT will use a two-step procurement process to select a Design-Build Contractor to deliver this Project. The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is issued as the first step to solicit information in the form of Statement of Qualifications (SOQ). The SOQ will be evaluated to create a short-list of the most highly qualified Design-Build Submitters. In the second step, the short-listed Design-Build Proposers will be issued a Request for Proposal (RFP). The proposals will be evaluated and WSDOT will select the Design-Build Team that provides the Apparent Best Value based on the Design-Build scoring criteria.

The information in this notice is preliminary and is subject to change. Under no circumstances should this advertisement information be used for bidding or construction purposes.

#### **PROJECT ESTIMATE:**

The estimated contract cost of this project is approximately \$170 to \$190 Million.

### PREQUALIFICATION:

Maximum Bidding Capacity in the amount of \$205 Million or higher and the Submitter or at least one Major Participant must be prequalified for Work Class 6 in the total amount of \$75 Million or higher.

#### PROJECT SCOPE:

In an effort to protect and restore salmon and trout runs, a federal court injunction requires WSDOT to significantly increase the efforts to remove state owned culverts that block habitat for salmon and trout. This project will replace 8 existing fish barrier crossings on SR302 and SR16 in Pierce County, City of Gig Harbor and the community of Purdy with fish passable structures (buried structures and bridges) in compliance with the Federal Injunction regarding fish passage underneath WSDOT highways. This project will be delivered in Design-Build delivery method. This work will increase fish migration at stream crossings along SR16 and SR302 to allow

migratory salmon and trout to access their native spawning grounds. The project is funded with state funds.

#### LOCATION AND SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF WORK:

This project will remove existing barriers to fish migration at the following SR16 and SR302 stream crossings and replace with fish-passable structures:

#### Pierce County:

- A. Site ID # 991939, Unnamed Tributary to McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 14.63
- B. Site ID # 991940, McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 14.65
- C. Site ID # 991941, McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 14.86
- D. Site ID # 990277, McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 14.90
- E. Site ID # 991942, Unnamed Tributary to McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 15.02
- F. Site ID # 991944, McCormick Creek, SR16 MP 15.21
- G. Site ID # 105 K051618a, Unnamed Tributary to Goodnough Creek, SR16 MP 16.59
- H. Site ID # 105 K051518a, Goodnough Creek, SR302 MP 16.15

The Project shall include, but is not limited to the following:

- Determination of the delivery approach for the 8 fish barriers.
- Providing documentation in support of the environmental review (SEPA/NEPA) process in which WSDOT is the lead.
- Provide scoping documents in support of the project.
- Coordination with WSDOT, WDFW and the Squaxin, Puyallup, and Nisqually Tribes in determining the best fish passable solution.
- Acquiring all necessary environmental permits as an authorized agent of WSDOT.
- Acquiring all necessary property rights as an authorized agent of WSDOT.
- Providing mitigation solutions for sensitive area impacts.
- Facilitating temporary and permanent utility adjustment and relocation.
- Other project elements include, but are not limited to, building new water crossing structures, surveying, construction staging and maintenance of traffic, temporary illumination, constructing embankment, grading, retaining walls, channel grading and stream restoration, temporary stream bypass, fish exclusion, culvert removal or abandonment, paving and pavement marking, stormwater drainage, signing, erosion and sediment control, and roadside planting.

#### **PROJECT GOALS:**

- 1. Environmental Stewardship and Collaboration:
- 2. Minimize Public Impacts
- 3. Work Zone Safety.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION: Bonnie Kramer, P.E./Project Engineer/ (360) 570-6664

The RFQ is scheduled to be advertised on October 23, 2023. A Voluntary Submitters Meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2023. Additional details are available on the WSDOT website at:

https://wsdot.wa.gov/business-wsdot/contracting-opportunties/sr-16-goodnough-creeks-mccormick-creeks-remove-fish-barrier

Firms interested in participating on this project should visit the following site to have their company added to the interested parties list and to receive future notices on this project:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOT/subscriber/new?topic\_id=WADOT\_712

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